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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

Agency Information Collection Activity under OMB Review; Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT

ACTION: Notice and request for comments

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on May 14, 2013, and comments were due by July 15, 2013. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before (Federal Register insert 30 days from date of publication).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Albert Bratton, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-5769 or e-mail: albert.bratton@dot.gov. Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration

<u>Title</u>: Determination of Fair and Reasonable Rates for Carriage of Agriculture Cargoes on U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels.

OMB Control Number: 2133-0514.

Type Of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: U.S. citizens who own and operate U.S.-flag vessels.

Forms: MA-1025, MA-1026, and MA-172.

<u>Abstract</u>: This collection of information requires U.S.-flag operators to submit annual vessel operating costs and capital costs data to Maritime Administration officials. The information is used by the Maritime Administration in determining fair and reasonable guideline rates for the carriage of preference cargoes on U.S.-flag vessels. In addition, U.S.-flag vessel operators are required to submit Post Voyage Reports to the Maritime Administration after completion of a cargo preference voyage.

Annual Estimated Burden Hours: 420 hours

Addresses: Send comments regarding this collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503, Attention: MARAD Desk Officer. Alternatively comments may be sent via e-mail to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, at the following address: oira.submissions@omb.eop.gov.

Comments Are Invited On: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

A comment to OMB is best assured of having	its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of
publication.	
	Date: August 12, 2013
Christine Gurland Acting Secretary Maritime Administration	

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